ON THE COMMENCEMENT OF THE

MILLENNIUM,

DR. HORNE'S PAMPHLET,

ENTITLED,

es Sound Argument, dictated by Common Senfe."

CURSORY OBSERVATIONS
ON THE
"Age of Credulity."

BY NATHANIEL BRASSEY HALHED, M. F.

To which is added, An Original Letter from Mr. Brothers, to Philip Stephens, Efq. with his Answer.

A PAPER IS SUBJOINED,

FOINTING OUT THOSE PARTS OF

Mr. Brothers' Prophecies,

THAT HAVE BEEN ALREADY FULFILLED.

" Eyes ye have and fee not."

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## MILLENNIUM.

THOUGH there has been no age of the Church I in which the Millenium was not admitted by individuals divines of the first eminence, it is yet evident, from the writings of Eusebius, Irenæus, Origen, and others among the ancients, as well as from the histories of Dupin, Mosheim, and all the moderns, that it was never adopted by the whole church, or made an article of the established creed in any nation.

About the middle of the fourth century the

Millinarians held the following tenets:

ift. That the city of Jerusalem should be rebuilt, and that the land of Judea should be the habitation of those who are to reign on earth one thonfand years.

2d. That the first resurrection was not to be confined to the martyrs, but that after the fall of Antichrist all the just were to rife, and all that were on the earth were to continue for the space of time.

3d. That Christ shall then come down from Heaven, and be feen on earth, and reign there with his fervants.

4th. That the faints, during this period, shall enjoy all the delights of a terrestial paradife-

These opinions were founded upon several pasfages of Scripture, which the Millenarians, among the fathers, understood in no other than a literal fense; but which the moderns, who hold hat opinion, consider as partly literal and partly

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metaphorical. Of these passages, that upon which the greatest stress has been laid is the following: " And I faw an angel come down from heaven, having the key of the bottomless pit and a great chain in this hand. And he laid hold on the dragon, that old ferpent, which is the devil and Saran, and bound him a thouland years, and cast him into the bottomless pit, and shut him up, and fet a feal upon him, that he should deceive the nations no more till the thousand years shall be fulfilled, and after that he must be loosed a little feafon. And I faw thrones, and they fat upon them, and judgment was given unto them, and I faw the fouls of them that were beheaded for the witness of Jesus, and for the word of God. & which had not worthipped the beaft, neither his image, neither had received his mark upon their forcheads, or in their hands, and they lived and reigned with Christ a thousand years. But the rest of the dead lived not again till the thousand years were finished. This is the first refurrection. Rom. xx. 1-6.

This passage all the ancient Millenarians took in a sense grossly literal and taught, that during the Millenanum, the saints on earth were to enjoy every bodily delight. The moderns, on the other hand, consider the power and pleasure of this king dom as wholy spiritual, and they represent them as not to commence till after the conflagration of the present earth. East that the last supposition is a missake the very next verse but one evinces; for it is there said, that "when the thousand years are expired Satan shall be loosed out of his prison, and shall go out to de-

ceive the nations which are in the four quarters of the earth;" and there is no reason to believe that he will have such power or such liberty in "the new heavens and the new earth, wherein dwelleth righteousnels."

### A CALCULATION

On the Commencement of the

#### MILLENNIUM.

MR. Brothers has taken much pains to adjust and afcertain the Bible chronology. He gives it in detail at the opening of his first book and alludes to it in several parts of the second, as holding out to men an evident proof that the time for the completion of ancient prophecies, and the recorded period for the execution of God's Judgments is really arrived. But the connection between the age of the world, viz. 5913 years, in A. D. 1794, and this predetermined resolution of the Almighty is by no means apparent at first sight, or to a cursory observer. Something more is certainly necessary to develope the mystery, and the following is an attempt to elucidate it by computation.

Allusions to the Millennium are to be found in all parts of Scripture; and the doctrine generally received is, that the Mosaic account of the creation of the world is a prophetical type of its duration: taking (according to St. Peter, and Eph. chap. iii. ver. 8.) one thousand years for one day. So that we are to understand the world to have been destined to last 6000 years under the

gignified by the labors of God in the fix days of creation) and one thousand years under that dispensation which is typissed by God's resting on the Sabbath-day, and which is called Christ's Kingdom, or the Kingdom of Heaven, or the dominion of the Saints, &c. &c. when it is expressly said, that the Saints should enter into the rest of God, and e converso of the wicked, it is said, "unto whom I sware in my wrath that they should not enter into my rest.

Now, if we suppose the 5913 years, abovementioned by Mr. Brothers, to be common years of folar time, we find 87 years still wanting to arrive at the close of the fix symbolical days of labor, and consequently we are too remote from the period of the Millennium to have any thing either to hope or fear perfonally from its approach. But if we advert to that mode of calculation univerfally adopted, both by Daniel and St. John in their prophecies; where not only a day is taken for a year, but a month invariably made to contain 30 such days, and 42 months to comprehend 1260 fuch days, and these 1260 days to form exactly three years and a half, and therefore every such year to consist of 360 such days. We may very well adopt this method of computation in our endeavors to explain any prophetical chronology, and may very fairly call those Divine years, by which, as Mr. Brothers expresses it, ee God fulfils his recorded judgments." Now admitting the common folar year to confilt of 365 days, 5 hours, 48 minutes, 542 feconds, and multiplying 5913 years into quarters of feconds, we shall

find, on dividing this quotient by 360, a produce amounting to 5999 such divine years and a fraction; which fraction, deducted from the sum total of one year leaves a deficiency, at the end of the year of our Lord 1794, equal to 322 days 6 hours 40 minutes 23¼ feconds, being so much wanting, at the opening of the present year, to the full completion of 6000 divine or prophetical years: and shewing that the Millennium will commence, on the 19th of November next, at or about sun-rise, in the latitude of serusalem.

If this calculation be true, it follows that the time during which "the Saints shall live and reign with Christ," which according to St. John, in Rev. chap. xx. ver. 4. is one thousand years, must be in fact 360,000 years. So that the Millennium will bear the same analogical proportion to the previous duration of the world as that very previous duration itself hold to the six original days of the creation.

NATHANIEL BRASSEY HALHED.

Pall Mall, March 22, 1795.

#### SHORT REPLY

TO SOME OF THE ASSERTIONS IN

DR. HORNE'S PAMPHLET.

ENTITLED,

"SOUND ARGUMENT, DICTATED

BY COMMON SENSE."

T HAVE endeavored to peruse, without pre-I judice, every thing that has been written in aufwer to, or rather against my book : and if I had in any of the publications met with a fingle paragraph worthy of an answer, it should have been answered. The self-sufficient and abusive Dr. Horne of Oxford, has not one word of truth, or argument, or common fense, in his whole pamphlet; nor would it have misbecome a Doctor of Divinity who, by his own pen, confesses he can neither understand Greek, nor read the Gospel in English-to have endeavoured at least to give his jargon something, if possible, of the Gentleman. That he does not understand Greek, is clear from his doubting whether the Holy Choft appeared in shape of a dove, when St. Luke expressly fays, Somatiko eidei ofei peristeras, (in a bodily Shape, like a DOVE) and that he cannot read, or has net read, even the first chapter of St. Matthew, must be evident to those who perceive him denying that Christ had Br thers; and who shall, at the same time, have observed that

the Evangelift, writing after Chuift's death and refurrection, calls him, in the last verse of his first chapter, his mother's first born fon, ergo, she must have had a second at least. If the old miserable exposition of Daniel's four beasts, which I knew before be took up his pen about as well as Doctor Horne, can by any reasonable person (after mature deliberation) be deemed better than that furnished by Mr. Brothers-be it so-opinion is free-but I decline being of the party. And as for the phrase of felling my foul, which seems to have given such alarm, and furnished so much matter for falfs wit, I now think that every man . who enters into Parliament with any perfonal view whatever, and not wholly and exclusively for the fervice of his country, must be deemed bona fide to have fold his foul-let him be of what party he will; and also that every man who joins any party to vote on all occasions for the purpose of promoting or supporting the party at all events, is perpetually guilty of the fame act of felling his foul. I deny having ever fold my foul in any other manner than this -and if any one think or fay otherwife, on him be the onus probandi.

I take this opportunity of renewing my expreffions of perfect conviction in the propheties and mission of Mr. Brothers, and my encreasing reliance (founded on hourly experience) on the completion of every one of his predictions.

NATHANIEL BRASSEY HALHED. Pall-Mail,

March 11, 1795.

on the pamphlet intitled,

"THE AGE OF CREDULITY."

THE anonymous Author of a pamphlet, intitled, "The Age of Gredulity," was so obliging as to send the book yesterday to me; with an opinion, I presume, that I should find its arguments incontrovertible, and the positions I have assumed in my own publication totally untenable. I should be sorry to interrupt the gentleman's triumph by any unseasonable severity, and I am unterly averse to all argument for argument's sake.

I shall, therefore, only beg him to take in good part the few hints which I here hastily throw out for his consideration.

If he had turned to Cruden's Concordance, article "Wing," he would have found (4th fignification) "it is put for the fails of a ship," Isaiah xviii. 1. "Who to the land shadowing with wings;" meaning Egypt, which abounded with ships, "whose fails were like wings that shadow the sea."

So much for his pithy objection in the 15th page. The grand cheval de battaile of all my doughty opponents has been Daniel's vision, as explained by certain former clear fighted expositors, to mean four successive monarchies; viz. Babylonian, Mede-Persian, Grecian, and Roman,—I havebeen to battered and annoyed with this ridiculous phantom, that I shall here demolish it altogether, at once, for the peace of the public, as well as my own.

Daniel faw this vision after Nebuchadnezzar was dead, as it is evident from the first verse of the seventh chapter. After this, what does my anonymous author think of the supposition mentioned in his 14th page? The four beasts meant monarches, and not monarches. See the 12th verse. "As concerning the rest of the beasts, they had their dominion taken away, yet their lives were prolonged for a season and time." The life of a dominion I can conceive to be a poetical phrase, and admit its propriety; but to take away the dominion from a dominion, and yet prolong the life of that dominion, is too much even for me, with all my credulity, to comprehend.

Daniel faw this vision in the first year of the

reign of Relshazzar, the very last king of Babylon, who loft his life at the fame moment with his dominion, and therefore his life certainly was not prolonged for a Jeason nor a time. And in the 17th verse of this same seventh chapter, the angel tells Daniel,-" These great beasts, which are four, are four kings, which shall arise out of the earth,"- shall arise-in the future tense : not one of whom is already rifen and kings, not kingdoms. From this verse, nothing can be more undubitable, than that the king or kingdom of Babylon is totally out of the question; and therefore the other three monarchies, in the common interpretation, all necessarily fall to the ground as resting on this base. I hope I shall never hear them mentioned again. My author hampers him-

felf again in his 21st page, on the similitude and

dissimilitude between the fourth beaft of Daniel

and the eagle of Efdras. If he will cavil at no-

thing, or every thing, let him. But if he choose

to read and think ingenuously for himself, he might find, that Daniel omits in his fourth beaft, as in the other three, to make any mention of the rife or splendor, or even existence of monarchies: His beafts are mere personages, and his fourth the Emperor of Germany; substitute for, and standing avowedly and oftentatiously in the place of the ancient emperors of Rome. Esdras delineates the monarchy or kingdom itself, of which he expressly says, in the 12th chapter and 12th verse of the fecond book, that the Lord told him this kingdom " was not expounded unto his brother Daniet," and therefore it was now explained to him. Esdras saw the whole history in detail, and even what would come to pass after the death of the present Emperor of Germany, the present Pope, and present King of Prussia, the three heads of his eagle: whereas Daniel only beheld the prefent Emperor and electors of the Germanic body, without a glimple of the Antichrift or of the Pope.

By the fale of fouls, pages 24 and 25, (for I am not writing a regular answer to a pamphlet, which is too infignificant to deserve one; but hastily running over a few of its capital errors) is meant a confcious fale of an article known to be in one's own possession. Those who purchase pardons and indulgencies of popes, are not in this

Of Mr. Brothers' p esumption, ignorance and artifice, of which he is accused in the 27th, and sub-fequent pages, I shall take no notice: my author may compare his own pamphlet with the few remarks I have here thrown together, and sit in judgment on himself, on the same articles.

predicament.

But I shall boldly and authoritatively retort

the charges of falfehood, in every one of the particulars by him enumerated, pages 33 and 34.

The first is, "the deseat of the Emperor's army in the Netherlands." It is scandalous to term a prediction false, because it is not yet suffilled. I fay also, the Emperor's army will be deseated in the Netherlands: and if there was no other predisposing cause for this deseat, an attempt to raise the siege of Luxembourg, now seriously invested, would suffice for the purpose: and I add, therefore, that he will acknowledge the French Republic, and will make peace with it.

Secondly, The Dutch have acknowledged the French Republic, and are making a hasty peace with it. Mr. Brothers never said it would hap pen without a conquest, or that they would treat on equal terms. For the completion of his prophecy, it is enough that they should have acted as they are assign.

Mr. Brothers never faid, our army would be disbanded and seat home, by the twenty-fifth of March: our author, therefore, should not have incurred the risk of the retort discourteous, until our army was out of the possibility of being so treated at all. Nor did he ever affert that the Duke of York would be detained: he expressly says 'the general' of the English forces. That is now Count Walmoden: to-morrow it may be somebody else; but to do away all chance of verification, the army should be proved to have no general at all.

In these three little articles, wherein our anonymous author has attempted to fix an imputa-

tion of falschood on Mr. Brothers, he has convicted himself " prefumption, -ignorance - artifice - and falschood; and here I leave him.

NATHANIEL BRASSEY HALHED. Pall Mall, March 25, 1795.

# LETTER, &c.

That Mr. BROTHERS in the year 1790 p selfed (and it is thought by many that his faculties at prefent are as perfect as ever) the powers of reajoining correctly logical, and of expressing his thoughts in an easy and elegant diction, the following letter will unequivocally evince.

THURSDAY, Sept. 9, 1790.

To PHILIP STEPHENS, Efq. Admiralty-Office, SIR.

To avoid the imputation of appearing troublesome, I waited considerable time after the half-pay was advertised, that a very just application, tho' I believe unprecedented, should not displease the Admiralty. Government is in my debt to a much greater amount than twelve months; and altho' I have not enjoyed any emolument, perquisite, or prosit, from any business or employment whatever, the only reason advanced for detaining my property, is the want of being qualified every six months, by swearing the contents of a certificate as the result of my own pleasure and inclination, when an order of council commands me, and absolutely prohibits the payment until I do.

A voluntary act is an avowed freedom of choice, and under that denomination cannot, to Iwear jultly, admit the influence of a compulfoly order; but I am not allowed any choice, fwear must, and swear the oath I take is not enforced by order, compulsion, or necessity, but a voluntary act of my own, received with equal freedom as the air I breathe, as an indemnification for impofing an improper oath, I am obliged by the fame rule to leave my fignature duly atteffed by a magiftrate as a record, certainly not of superior wifdom. To swear, then, agreeably to the prescribed form laid down by the privy council, is obvious to the plainest capacity a surreptitious oath, concealing its deformity under that mild appellation: for I hope no man is fo far loft to all fense of virtue, as to prefer taking an idle oath of this kind, or any other description, when permitted an option, by the very word voluntarily, to decline it.

Instructed from my infancy to guard against falsehood, as the most poisonous evil that can possibly invade the human mind, and to court truth as the most beautiful of all moral virtues. I view an oath as the most awful and solemn appeal which a man can possibly make: the present judges say it should be administered with caution, and never repeated except when pressing necessity requires! for this reason, an oath before them is a public bond of true evidence: tear away the solemnity by habitual practice, the sacred barrier falls to the ground, and every man enters wild and lawless on the common of perjury.

It was the language of Mr. Pitt, in the Houle of Commons, (I alk pardon for the introduction

of his name) when a clause was offered for a certain bill late in the last cession, recommending an annual oath, or thereabouts, as necessary for the better payment of that part of the revenue it went to describe, his answer was, such a multiplication of oaths tended to destroy every public principle, promote fraud and perjury, more than any immediate benefit to the Exchequer could possibly compensate to society. I lament, sentiments equally discerning and honorable do not adorn the heart of every man.

Having served under three commanders, not less amiable in private life than eninently conspicuous on the lift of professional merit, their parental precepts, their example of rectitude and manners, remain still as an admonishing beston of advice never to be departed from. To drink from a foul stream, in preference to a clear fountain, Lir no other reason than a multitude being constantly led by official perfusion to do fo, without once deigning to examine the contaminated resource it flowed from, or, as a gentleman in the commission of the peace observed to me with evident marks of displeasure, what business have you to object against it, when others do it ? would be treating every faculty with ingratitude, and manifest an open indifference for the good of knowledge.

I can pass by the oath; it is frequently done; the terms are low, safe, and practicably easy; for it is inconsistent with common sense to take a voluntary oath as an act of necessity: it is a bad doctrine that goes to oblicerate the terror of iniquity by habitual repetition, and actually libels the propriety of justice; but to be forced in any manner, and swear to the contrary! or if the fraud

was discovered, I believe it would torture the invention of the most learned disquisitor to frame a prosecution for counterfeiting a forced, unjust, nominal, voluntary oath. To me, the evasion would be dishonourable, and amount to a crime of equal magnitude as embracing the evil i complain of.

Profane swearing, or any other description of idle oaths, as a passport to receive those wages the law, reason, and equity, does not allow the detention of, under any pretence, in the most uncivilized countries, is forcing a man privately by the most cruel of all tor tures, to the commission of iniquity, without being able to advance even a plausible reason in its desence; for I observe, it is not for the prevention of fraud to the revenue, or to prevent that kind of emolument in suture, which it goes back to discover, neither is it to prohibit an officer from wandering abroad, when liable to be called for at home, but for a purpose which may be guessed at—delicacy will not allow me to mention.

At any rate, as men of more liberal and independent characters now fill the departments of State, than at the period which gave birth to this turious order, the intention it was introduced for is now done away, consequently a continuance of it is entirely unnecessary: notwithstanding the remote period of its formation, those who advised it, were in some degree sensible that a public oath could not be imposed on any part of the community beyond the walls of the council thamber, unless specifically introduced and authorised by act of Parliament, or so great a people would never attempt to conceal the inbecility of

a measure, and fritter away their own power, by retiring behind the specious form of 'this deponent voluntarily makes oath,' when an absolute order was in force to carry it into execution, or stop the payment of wages until it was obeyed.

If I am to be precluded from all use of my property, because I do not implicitly swear to error and contradiction, under the vain idea of compulsion being an ample shield against the disgrace of swearing improperly, and that the enormity would revert on those who imposed it, such language is beneath any man that had understanding to perceive, though not fortitude to oppose it; clothed with the benign hand of Providence with health and streng h, necessity shall never compel me to look for it by any way dishonorable to myself or repugnant to the nicest laws of equity.

If it is true virtue animates the hero, and emulation is meritorious in the youth, if vice is ugly, and fallehood a deformity; as a fenator, and a man of fense, the good of the navy, the benefit of your country, call on you to attempt the extirpation of a custom dishonorable to God, and

reproachable to man.

I am, Sir with great respect, Your very humble servant,

R. BROTHERS.

No. 5, Beaufort Buildings, Strand.

"This deponent, A. B. Lieu"tenant in his Majesty's na"vy, voluntarily makelb oath,
"That he bath not received
"the benefit of any public

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" employment, either at fe
" or on shore, between th
" ist of July, 1789, and the
" 31st of December, 1790.
('Signed) " A. B.

Sworn this day of before

O. P. Justice.

Admiralty Office, July 10, 1790.

SIR.

1N return to your three letters, dated 25th and May, 29th June, and the 8th instant\*, on the subject of the oath required to be taken for the payment of your half-pay, and requesting for the reserved.

ment of your half pay, and requesting for the res fons mentioned in your faid letters, to be relieve therefrom, I am commanded, by my Lords Com missioners of the Admiralty, to acquaint you the the order of council for establishing half-pay requires the oath to be taken, and that their Lord ships are not authorised to dispense with your not taking it.

lam, Sir,

Your very humble Servant.

PHILIP STEPHENS.

\* 21st of April, 4th of May, omitted to acknowledge

The following Paper, comes from a gentleman well known for his strenuous support of Mr. Brothers's Principles, and who is particularly mentioned by the Prophet in his Books in the warmest Terms of Gratitude and Esteem.

THE Prophecies and revealed knowledge com-I municated to the world by Richard Brothers, having generally attracted public notice, I think it my duty to state some of them as they have been already fulfilled, and let the world judge of them according to their own knowledge and belief. The truth of them ought to be carefully examined. That fuch a man will come there can be no doubt of and is expressly mentioned, Jerem. xxviii. 9. " The Prophet which prophesieth of PEACE, when the word of the prophet shall come to pass, then shall the prophet be known, that the Lord hath truly fent him."

Richard Brothers prophefieth of universal peace, that shortly will be restored to all kingdoms upon earth.

Book II. page 103. Richard Brothers fays, the 21st of Jan. 1793, " Are you William Pitt, the king of France was to whom I wrote in beheaded. This pro-May and June, 1792, phecy has been fulfilled. informing you of the consequences of this war to your country, when the war was not intended, and of the death of Louis the 16th, which was impeffible to

The war enfued. On

prevent, it was recorded and could not be avoided

p. 93. By the same example, if the French army was to be defeated even again & again, it should recover and conquer likewise.

my writing to the king of England, relative to the king of Prussia, I informed him, as I was commanded, of the cerbined armies of Prussia and Austria.

Page 98. The king of Proffia will acknowl. edge the French republic, and also make peace with it.

90. Russia will also quarrel with the Poles. and devour great numbers of them; Warfaw will be fet on fire, and the government entirely changed.

The above has been too fully and too fatally fulfilled furely for a-

On the 1st Oct. 1792, the Duke of Brunswick retreated, after he had been expected at Paris in two or three days, but ever fince the allied p. 124. At the time of armies have retreated, and been beaten beyond any example in the annals of history; and few will now, I believe, affert that they can evtain failure of the com- er repenetrate France, and restore monarchy.

> It is reported he has already made peace; if he has not, in all probability he foon will.

In the Leyden Gazette, Dec. 26, 1794, it fays, in the accounts from Warfaw, " That the attack began at five o'clock in the morning. at nine the enemy was in possession of the place -Five thousand Poles were flain in the afny one to deny. Prof. fault, the remaining ha was not able to con- 5000 were taken prifoquer the Poles, but Ruffia, the destined power, foon conquered them.

ners or dispersed. After this was over, and every thing appeared to be quiet, ten hours after all refistance had ceased, about nine o'clock at night, they fet fire to the town, and began to butcher the inhabitants. The fick and wounded perished in the flames :- the reft, old men, women & children, perished by the sword. Nine thousand persons, of every age and of both fexes, are computed to have fallen in the maffacre, and the whole of the fuburb, except a few fcattering houses, was reduced to afhes."

100. The Spanish monarchy will cease by this war, and the Stadtholdership of Holland will be cut off close to the ground, according to the visions of God to me in 1792, and which I communicated at that time, by his facred commands, to the King and Queen of England.

Holland is entirely conquered, & the Stadiholder is now in this country. On the 27th of June 1792, I wrote to the French ambassador, then in London, by command of the Lord God, acquainting him with the suture loss of the French islands, and likewise the fall of the English.

Page 154. After this I was in a vision in the month of January 1792, and was carried away by the Spirit of God to Sweden, &c. The King of Sweden is delivered over for death, and that is the very man that will shoot him.

write hereafter of other things in this country you will be called an impostor, a fool, and a liar.

When I fee this it will make me angry; I'll then begin to kill the people, and I shall surely destroy this city.

Page 180. Oct. 26, 1794, the Lord God commands me to fay to you, William Bryan, that you are appointed

The French islands have been conquered by the English, according to the former part of this prophecy. The latter part remains to be fulfilled.

The king of Sweden was fhot at a masquerade, March 10, and died March 29, 1792.

Richard Brothers was taken up by government March 4, 1795; that he has been reckoned an impostor by many, the world itself must allow

Mr. Halhed published his testimony January 29, 1795.

Mr. Bryan published his testimony Feb. 10,

and will be command. 1795; wherein he aced by him, to testify knowledges that he was publicly to the world compelled by the Spirit who I now am, and to write, being against what my future defig his natural will. Sevnation is. The Lord eralothers have publish-God will influence and ed and are publishing command numbers of their testimonies. Mahis people, both men ny also have given their and women, to give testimonies by letter. the same public testi- John Wright published monies.

192. Oct. 26, 1704. He informed the Eng- all tried and acquitted. lish government, Judges, &c. that the prifoners now in confinement and on trial for their lives, &c. are innocent.

his testimony Aug. 1, 1794.

The prisoners were

These things having been already fulfilled, ought to be a caution to every body how they deny Revelation and Prophecy, and it behoves every person to examine into the revealed prophecies very carefully and judge impartially. Acts v. 39. " But if these things be of God, ye cannot overthrow them."

Richard Brothers stands in the Court Calender as a naval officer, Jan. 3, 1783. Surely then his character and behaviour during his continuance in the navy are very easily to be enquired by those that doubt his fanity. Because he quotes Scripture and believes in God, is too ridiculous, and would think, for any perfon to fet him down

either as an impostor or madman. If he has not wrote those letters to government, as he afferts, then he is a false prophet, and the onus probandi lays with the ministers, &c. If those letters are established, I think his prophecies coming true, abfolutely prove him a true prophet. I have taken every step to detect him in imposition or madness, but cannot in either.

CANDIDUS.

March 26, 1795.

FINIS.

